

In Simplicity

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2 Cor. 11:3 The simplicity that is in Christ.

R.V. the simplicity & the purity that is toward

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X. Moffet Single devotion to X.

Intro.

I. X 's simplicity & singleness

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1. Of his personal life - home life
mind, heart & soul one.
Teaching & conduct. Preaching & practice
 2. Of his speech & teaching
God, love, truth, sin, peace Life, soul
 3. Of his choice of companions & co-workers
a - his followers
b - "follow me"

II. Our consequent simplicity as Mrs.

- a. complete + simple trust in Jesus
 a single hearted faith & love - single loyalty
 b - The church has encumbered It's
 It's creeds & rituals - ^{Elphinstone} ~~Elphinstone~~
 It's gov'ts & set-appe. requirements
 Non-essentials magnified

A Prayer

Non-essentials magnified
The main requirement obscured.
"Lovest thou me?" "Follow me" "Feed my
sheep" - the one requirement - all else
non-essential.

A Prayer

I would, dear Jesus, I could break
The hedge that creeds and heresay make,
And, like the first disciples, be
In person led and taught by thee.

I read thy words, so strong and sweet;
I seek the footprints of thy feet;
But men so mystify the trace
I long to see thee face to face.

Wouldst thou not let me at thy side
In thee, in thee, so sure confide?
Like John, upon thy breast recline
And feel thy heart make mine divine.
John H. Long.

The Goal

All roads that lead to God are good
What matters it, your faith, or ruin?
Both center at the goal divine
Of love's eternal brotherhood.

A thousand creeds have come & gone;
But what is that to you and me?
Creeds are but branches of a tree,
The root of love lives on and on.

The branch by branch proves withered wood,
The root is warm with precious wine;
Then keep your faith & leave me mine;
All roads that lead to God are good.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox